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PRESIDENT'S

MESSAGE



Before too many days we will all be heading for Corpus Christi to enjoy another fine T.N.A. convention. I look forward to these conventions as an opportunity to renew acquaintances and meet new numismatists. I always leave these conventions with more knowledge of numismatics and many memories of the things that I see and hear while attending.



This month will terminate my second year serving T.N.A. as president. To me it has been a very pleasant and rewarding term of office. I can't say that there has not been work connected with the job, but I think it has been one of pleasure. The cooperation I have received from most of you has been appreciated and has made my job a lot easier. My visits to coin shows and meetings over the state have been one of the many highlights of my term of office. Every one, in all instances, has treated me so nice I felt very proud that I was representing you and T.N.A. I sincerely hope that my successor enjoys the same reception you have afforded me. My efforts for T.N.A. will not cease when I leave office. You may count on me when my help is needed. To the new officers — Good Luck!



We will look forward to meeting you in Corpus Christi on the 26, 27 and 28 of March. This will be a T.N.A. convention you will long remember.



³ A 91-Year Old Memory

A grim reminder of the great Chicago fire, a 2.5-pound mass of molten pennies, was recently on display in a Houston bank, according to a news story by Howard Spergel in The Houston Post. About 80 large Liberty Head cents minted from 1816 to 1857 were stored in the basement of the Chicago First National Bank when the fire broke out on October 8, 1871.

The melted mass is now owned

by William J. Brinkman, III, of Houston. He received the coins in 1935 from an aunt who survived the fire and related the story. The pennies, put away in the 19th century bank without concrete vaults, were melted almost beyond recognition as heat in the storage basement exceeded 1,981 degrees Fahrenheit.

Brinkman, an avid coin collector since 1937, does not know the value of the penny mass. Only five pennies are distinguishable. "I've never seen anything like this in collector's magazines," Brinkman said.

TRIAL OF THE PYX — 1965

Philadelphia was on its next to the best weather behavior (rain, no snow) when the United States Assay Commission — composed of 21 members from 12 States and the District of Columbia and three ex-officio members — convened at the Mint on February 10 to review and examine specimens of the nation's coinage produced at both Mints, Philadelphia and Denver, during the calendar year 1964.

Appointed by President Johnson to serve on the 1965 Commission were Mrs. Miriam L. Gilmore, Weslaco, Texas; Mrs. Catherine E. Bullock, Philadelphia; Mrs. Carolyn Carter and Dr. Moddie Taylor, Washington, D. C.; Melvin Fuld, Baltimore, Maryland; Malcolm W. Jensen, Potomac, Maryland; William C. Hatcher, Kingston, N. C. and Mrs. Betty C. Lehman and Ray M. Janda, Kansas City, Mo.

Also Norman H. Kirby, Cape Girardeau, Mo.; Dr. J. Hewitt Judd, Omaha, Neb.; Martin F. Kortjohn and Ben Stack, New York, N.Y.; Joseph J. Litvany, Glen Ridge, and Leon Rosenthal, Fair Lawn, N. J.; Philip J. More, Evanston, Ill. and Charles J. Ricard, Northbrook, Ill.; Edward C. Rochette, Iola, Wis.; John Martin Sullivan, Jr., Santa Barbara, Calif., and Gen. M. Stanley Newton, Brattleboro, Vermont. (Another Texan has served on the Commission — Amon Carter, Jr. of Fort Worth in 1960.)

Ex-officio members are Hon. Thomas J. Clary, chief judge of the District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania; Hon. James J. Saxon, Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, D. C. and Paul J. Marginec, assayer, United States Assay Office, New York, N. Y.

Mrs. Eva B. Adams, director of the

Mint, opened the Assay Commission meeting, and introduced the members. Each was presented with a presidential certificate.

A permanent chairman was named, Dr. J. Hewitt Judd; and three committees selected — Assaying: Mrs. Catherine E. Bullock, chairman, and Dr. Taylor, co-chairman; Weighing: Melvin Fuld, chairman, and Mrs. Carolyn Carter, co-chairman; Counting: Martin Kortjohn, chairman, and Charles Ricard, co-chairman.

The day's assignments for each committee included checking for the correct number of coins reserved for the Commission to study (one coin for each 10,000 struck), weighing and testing for standard fineness. A total of 139,719 pieces (dimes, quarters and halves) from both Mints had been set aside for the traditional Trial of the Pyx.

The findings of the 1965 Assay Commission revealed that all coins were well within the tolerance allowed by law.

Commission members were entertained at luncheon at the world-famous Bookbinders Restaurant in the Society Hill section of Philadelphia. As time permitted during the day, members were also privileged to tour the Mint. A banquet in the Burgundy Room of the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel climaxed the activities, and at which time, each member received the 1965 Assay Commission medal.

The Commission's resolutions gratefully recorded the courtesies and considerations extended to it by the following: Miss Adams, director of the Mint; Frederick Tate, assistant director of the Mint; Michael H. Sura and Mrs. Fern A. Miller, superintendents of the Philadelphia and Denver Mints; and Frank E.

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COMMENTARIUM.....

T.N.A. Governors And Club Representatives

Having served as second vice-president of The Texas Numismatic Association for two years, and having been in charge of the governors and club representatives, I believe I am more confused as to what the relationship between these groups and myself should be than I was at the beginning.

There is not now, and never has been a definite schedule of how the second vice-president is to deal with his governors and club representatives to further T.N.A. interests. The only direct contact with the two groups is at the annual convention, and then some of the governors and a great many of the representatives do not or cannot attend.

Some of the governors and representatives never answer correspondence, thus it is almost impossible to establish contact with them until I have the opportunity to visit with their clubs. It is my personal feeling that only dedicated numismatists should accept governors and representatives positions, or any other T.N.A. office.

I believe we should all devote more time and interest toward T.N.A. particularly to recruiting new members and keeping active the ones we have.

The T.N.A. annual breakfast is the one redeeming feature. Here we can get together and get to know each other. This years, as in the past, will see us meeting again at breakfast at 8:00 A. M. Saturday morning, March 27. All governors and representatives are invited and urged to be there. T.N.A. will send complimentary tickets to each one

By Floyd E. Covill
McCamey, Texas

as soon as your club secretary or district governor furnishes us with the name of your club representative.
DO SO NOW.

This is the time to talk over T.N.A. problems in relation to club activities and you are invited to submit suggestions or ideas for discussion. Not all of them can be taken up, but as many as possible will be. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

from the librarian

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TRIAL OF THE PYX —

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Campbell, assistant superintendent of the Philadelphia Mint.

Others were Mrs. P. M. Williams and Kenneth Failor, Bureau of the Mint; and Philadelphia Mint personnel - Paul J. Dowd, assayer; Leonard Brown, Charles Sill, James Blisard, John Fleisher, Sydney Engel, Leland Myer, Darwin Young and Frank Gasparro, who, that day, was appointed by President Johnson to assume the new duties as chief engraver of the Mint.

The Coinage of SIAM-Part 2

The term "bar money" - or "lats" - of Siam covers three specific types. The first - attributed to the Lan Chang region - is plain (or very rarely stamped with a star mark) and closely resembles the dugout canoes used on the Mekhong River. Because of this resemblance, many authorities feel the pieces originated in imitation of this shape and they commonly are called canoe money. The metallic composition varies but few contain any silver at all.

Leech money likewise is rather plain, but all examples bear from two to four countermarks, usually three. The mark of an elephant always is present, as is either a star or wheel mark. Leech money is copper, copper surfaced with silver, or impure silver surfaced with better silver.

The third type of bar money is the ever-popular tiger tongue, made of pure silver, impure silver, or copper or bronze with a silver coating, or of a base-metal alloy. Several marks found stamped into these pieces - the commonest being the snake-like mark - usually identified as the sacred "Na" symbol - and the wheel mark. This type of money frequently goes by the name "ant money" or "ant coins" the explanation



tion being that the raised marks around the perimeter are caused by the struggles of live ants dropped into the molten metal. Several examples occur with a circular depression, sometimes extending through the coin.

One of the most interesting and unusual of ancient Siamese monies is Cieng money - the famous packsaddle (or Ka Kim) and bracelet coins. These are a type of actual coinage, for they bear markings in Archaic Siamese writing which give the value and locality of issue for each piece. Cieng money apparently was the standard coinage of the ancient kingdom of Lanat'ai, which was founded with its capital at Cieng Mai in the year 1296.

The coins typically are of silver, or sometimes of silver-coated base metal. Some examples occur in zinc of a dull greenish color bearing peculiar hieroglyphic marks. The silver coins are manufactured in the shape of a curved, nearly circular bar which is nicked at the center and bent double, forming the packsaddle shape (so called because of its resemblance to the common Far-Eastern packsaddle.)

Bracelet money is a type which is only slightly bent, thus retaining its circular shape. Coins of silver coated

base metal had to be cast in shape since the presence of the base metal would be revealed when the nick was made. The standard coin weighed approximately four baht and always had the figure "4" stamped into it along with the name of the principality, Lannat'ai.

Additional marks included the name of the issuing city and what usually are identified as royal marks. The word "C'eng" means "city" and is prefixed to other names, such as C'eng Rai and C'eng Sen. There is considerable variation in the archaic Siamese inscriptions.

A very rare and quite interesting type of Siamese money is the fish money, so named because of its fish-like shape. It is occasionally found with specimens of leaf money and is of a similar light-colored alloy. Other more amorphous types are found in silver and bronze.

A final type of ancient money used in northern Siam is Chinese sycee silver, those variously-shaped silver ingots known to all of us. It is doubtful that sycee was manufactured in Siam, and examples found there probably entered in caravans from Yunnan in China.

Bullet money first appeared in Siam well over 700 years ago. The introduction of this type of coinage is generally attributed to K'un Ram K'ambheng, the son of the founder of the Sawank'alok Kingdom (approximately 1275-1315 A.D.) but since K'ambheng is popularly regarded as the father of nearly everything Siamese, this claim must be regarded with reservation, though he may have introduced a standardized system of bullet coinage.

Dr. Reginald le May, in his book, "The Coinage of Siam," gives a sequence of bullet coins illustrating what he terms the evolution of the baht, the Siamese monetary unit, weighing approximately 233 grains.

It is generally thought that the C'eng coins originated in northern Siam where it was convenient to carry them about strung together, but that bullet coins originated in the Mekhong River Valley, where they were easily accommodated in bags carried in the native canoes.

Bullet coins generally bear two marks stamped into the metal. On coins of the Bangkok Dynasty, these marks are that of the dynasty, and the personal mark of the ruling king, although it is not known if this holds true for the earlier coinages.

The name of the bullet coin in Siamese is P'ot duang, meaning "curled worm," and is derived from the method of manufacture, in which an elliptical ingot is cast in an underwater mold, nicked on the flat side, and bent double with a few quick blows of the hammer.

An expert craftsman could turn out 240 such coins per day, giving a total output of 2400 bahts a day from the ten coiners at work during King Mongkut's reign. With an expanding trade, this amount proved woefully inadequate and King Mongkut, in 1858, ordered a coin press so that conventional flat coinage



80 BAHIT
1880

could be issued.

In the meantime, to relieve the shortage of bahts, the king ordered Mexican dollars already circulating in the area at 5 bahts per 3 dollars counterstamped with the chakra and crown marks used on the bullet coins and circulated as Siamese currency. It is known that other coins such as the 1846 Peruvian eight reales were similarly countermarked. As supplies of the new coinage became available these provisional "bullet coins" were called in.

After the introduction of flat coinage bullet coins were issued only for special occasions. When they were demonetized in 1904, 14,000,000 bahts were turned in for recoinage.

Another saga of Siamese coinage concerns itself with the well known gambling tokens, known as "pee" in the Siamese language. These interesting forms of money warrant a little of any collector's time, for nowhere can one find such a variety of shapes, sizes, and color.

One of the earliest types of gambling counter was the cowry shell. It derived its use in gaming from its role in the monetary system, in which it held an honored place until 1862, when replaced by tin and copper coinage.

An early report (Narrative of a Voyage Around the World by W.S.W. Ruschenberger, 1838) tells us that 200 cowries went for one p'hai-nung, two p'hai-nung equalled one song-p'hai, two song-p'hai equalled one huang, two huang equalled one sa'h'ng, and four sa'h'ng were equivalent to one baht. By this reckoning, the Siamese baht equalled 6400 cowries. After their abandonment as money, the cowries were relegated to the gambling houses as counters in tin tan and other games.

As patrons of the gambling houses found the "bullets" and coins inconvenient to handle the owners of

the gambling establishments introduced tokens or counters, made of porcelain, glass, bronze or brass, and mother-of-pearl. Gambling tokens came in myriad sizes and shapes—stars, butterflies, fish, door-tablets, and the like. Many of the porcelain pieces were made in two or more colors, and glass examples came in green, white, and yellow.

Most tokens had inscribed on them in Chinese characters the name of the Hong or gambling house, and often some favorite motto or quotation. The value also appeared in Siamese on the porcelain tokens at least and one well known set even bore the portrait of Queen Victoria.

The gambling tokens were issued under the authority granted the proprietors by their gambling licenses or concessions. They first came into use as money in shops adjoining the gambling houses, where devotees of the pastime went to buy refreshments. Later, when tin and copper coins became scarce because their intrinsic worth rose above their face value, the gambling tokens came into common use everywhere.

This turn of events produced a fertile field for counterfeiters, who flooded the country with imitations. This forced the gambling houses to periodically call in all the tokens for redemption, substituting new ones of varied colors and shapes.

Governmental control of the tokens became increasingly difficult until in 1871, the government found it necessary to prohibit all use of the Siamese gambling tokens. To be continued . . .



MOTHER OF PEARL
Gambling Token

Gallery Of Coins – part three

COLLECTING COINS OF THE AMERICAN COLONIES – by the Editor

Since the variety of coins in circulation in the Colonies has been mentioned it is interesting to see how the evidence of coin discoveries both emphasize this aspect of the matter and, at the same time, serve to set limitations.

In June, 1873, a Dr. John M. Cummings presented two pieces discovered by him on Richmond Island, Maine, to the Maine General Hospital Fair held in Portland. They were described as, "a silver sixpence, three hundred years old, bearing the date 1573. The other, a gold sovereign, represents the crown head of the king with double ruff around the neck and a robe over the shoulder; the figures behind the head and the title, "Carolus D.G. Mag. Br. Fr. et Hib. Rex'." This latter piece is plainly a Unite of Charles I rather than a sovereign. Also in June 1873, one of New York's late great numismatics, David Prosser, contributed the following to the American Journal of Numismatics:

"A Louis d'or dated 1694 was found on June 7th, by Mr. J. R. Clark of Sailor's Snug Harbor, Staten Island, while plowing in a field on his farm. The piece is in fine condition and supposed to have been the property of the 'Huguenots' who came to this country in the time of Louis XIV and settled, I believe, on Staten Island. On that account the piece is historically valuable. About a year ago I found a silver piece of nearly the same size, and dated 1653, not

far from where the gold piece was found and in prime condition also."

But it took the Dixon brothers to make a really romantic find, that was immediately ascribed to Captain Kidd. The Elizabeth, N. J. "Daily Monitor" reported, on May 22, 1873, that the three Dixons had gone raking for oysters in Morris Creek the day before. Between the three of them they found sixty-two silver coins. "Some of the coins have a dragon on one side and the old Spanish coat of arms on the other." Immediately, one hundred oystermen started to rake Morris Creek and "many of them found additional treasure." Fortunately, E. J. Cleveland, described as a "numismatologist" was called to examine the Dixon find. He reported, with tantalizing and off-hand lack of detail:

"The coins are mostly dollars, which were coined into money at the silver mines of Peru. They are known as 'Cob' dollars and bear the stamp of the Spanish government. They are irregular because no collar was used in the coining."

One wishes that the "numismatologist" had been more explicit about the coins that weren't Peruvian Cobs. The fact that the finders said that some had a dragon on one side strongly suggests that there was a group of Lion Dollars of the Netherlands in among the lot.

By far the most interesting American coin discovery, however, was

the Castine Hoard that came to light in November 1840 near Penobscot, Maine. While the majority of the pieces went into the melting pot, a selection of seventeen was made available to a Mr. Joseph Williamson who knew with what he was dealing.

Mr. Williamson noted that the coins were French, Spanish, Spanish American, Portuguese, Dutch, and English, with a liberal sprinkling of Pine Tree pieces. Fortunately, this hoard has been written up in recent years by Sydney P. Noe of the American Numismatic Society and is available in the Society's Monograph No. 100. Williamson saw only two English pieces in the group and estimated that the majority of the coins were French, Spanish Cob dollars, and fractions. Among the seventeen he chose as representative of the group, he included one three guilder piece and Lion dollar of the Netherlands. He also chose a hammered shilling of Charles I.

In this connection, it can be noted that the English coins brought to this country prior to 1700 almost all appear to have been hammered issues of Elizabeth, James, and Charles, as the finds mentioned here indicated. The Castine coins were probably buried in the 1690's by a group of French traders fleeing Indian attacks. The fact that there was no gold is indicative of the importance of silver in the early Colonial economy.

The coin types mentioned so far all have one common denominator. No matter how diverse their origin, they all were issued by powers that played dominant roles, either political or commercial, during the period under discussion. As the 18th century progressed, it was natural that the percentage of Spanish American coins in circulation should become a

larger and larger part of the total. The South American mines produced prodigious quantities of the precious metals. The growing commercial interests of the British North American Colonies siphoned off some of this tremendous output. In this connection, it must be remembered that the coinage of the handsome milled Pillar dollars after 1732 did not mean that the rough cob pieces ceased to be struck in both gold and silver.

The new minting machinery was not able to keep up with the output of metals from the mines so that the old crude hammered methods remained in use because of the shortage of equipment and skilled labor. The word "Cob", as Dr. Pradeau explains on page 42 of his "Numismatic History of Mexico", is an English contraction of the Spanish "cabo de barra," meaning "cut from a bar." Robert L. Nesmith makes the following interesting comment on the minting of the Cobs:

"From the study of nearly 200 Lima and Potosi 'pieces of eight' from one hoard, the method of cutting 'cob' blanks was deduced. The blanks were cut from flat, cast bars of silver. They were not sliced like bologna from a round bar. The shape of the blank depended on the width of the cast bar. The cast edges and cut edges can be seen on these 'cobs' and the square, oblong, or odd shaped blanks were generally heated and then pounded at the sides. This caused them to bulge into an irregular shape, leaving the blank thick in the center and thin toward the edges. When pounded, the blanks generally split at the sides and opened into wide cracks. These sometimes run from the edge to the center of the blank. The hammer blows which shaped the

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JUNIOR READIN' ROUNDUP

The Young Numismatists of Harlingen will soon be two years old and plans are in the making for a celebration according to Philip Leonard, president. The group, which averages eight to fourteen members at each meeting, meet on the first and third Monday at the Central Power & Light Company building in Harlingen.

Programs are furnished by adult members of the Harlingen Coin Club and recent ones have included talks by Don Christiansen on foreign coins and R. O. Bork who spoke on chop-marked Chinese dollars.

Junior visitors included Delwin Jennings of Harlingen.



THE LAFAYETTE DOLLAR

By Ken Spatola, Reprinted from "Young Numismatic", Publication of Y.N.A.

The Lafayette dollar was the first and only commemorative coin of the one dollar denomination. It also has the distinction of being the first authorized United States coin to bear the portrait of one of our Presidents. It was minted in 1900, nine years before the Lincoln cent.

The obverse of the Lafayette Dollar shows the busts of Washington and Lafayette superimposed. This has a great significance, for Washington and Lafayette fought side by side to aid the cause of the American colonies during the Revolutionary War.

Lafayette was a military leader in the French army for five years. But as soon as the colonies declared their independence from Great Britain, he

traveled to America and offered his services. Lafayette was given a commission as a major general in the Continental Army, by a special resolution of Congress. He then became an intimate of George Washington, and a member of his staff. Together they fought for the cause of independence and attained their most cherished goal.

On the reverse is a facsimile of a monument erected in honor of General Lafayette in Paris, a gift of the American people in memory of the aid he gave them in time of need. This monument is encircled by the words, "Erected in Honor of General Lafayette, Paris, 1900."

The dies for this dollar were prepared by Charles E. Barber, chief engraver of the Mint. Barber also designed the silver coins minted from 1892 to 1916. The authorization of the dollar came in 1900. Over thirty-six thousand of these coins were minted in the same year.

The Lafayette Dollars were sold by the Lafayette Memorial Commission for one dollar over the face value.



GALLERY OF —

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blanks can be seen and are concave as if made with one's thumb in squeezing flat a piece of putty or clay at the edges."

Cob coins after the 1750's are generally on smaller and thicker planchets than the earlier pieces struck before that time. . . . To be continued . . .

U. S. COMMEMORATIVE HALVES RECALL MEMORIES & MEMORIALS

By WELDON SURBER
San Angelo Standard-Times

Thirty seven years after the death of Ulysses S. Grant, Congress authorized the centenary of his birth.

The obverse of the half dollar bears the bust of Grant in Army uniform and bears the dates 1822-1922. On the reverse is the house where Grant was born with fence and trees in front.

Grant graduated from West Point in 1843 and shortly afterward was sent to the Mexican War, where he served with distinction. He received two brevets for bravery. In 1854, at the age of 32, he resigned and entered the real estate business. But in business, Grant was a failure. He got into debt. History records, "He was glad to take a place as clerk in his father's store in Galena, Ill."

At the outbreak of the Civil War, meetings were held in every village in the North. At a meeting in Galena, Grant offered to recruit a regiment. The following month he was ap-

pointed colonel of the 21st Illinois Infantry, and in August he was made a brigadier general and given command of Southwestern Missouri.

Grant won battle after battle, but after the Battle of Shiloh, one of the bloodiest engagements of the war, he was blamed by the people of the North for heavy loss of life, and many demanded his removal from command.

But President Lincoln replied, "I can't spare this man, he fights." He was placed in command of all the Union armies, and finally came the fall of Petersburg, capture of Richmond and surrender of Robert E. Lee at Appomattox April 9, 1865.

The war over, Grant returned to Washington a hero and won the heart of the South when he threatened to resign his command if President Andrew Johnson had Lee tried for treason.

During his two terms as president



Bust of U. S. Grant



Grant's Birthplace

he pushed through the Amnesty Act for ex-Confederates and vetoed the bill to increase paper money in the panic of 1873. Government postal cards were first issued in 1873. The Custer massacre took place in Grant's last year in office, 1876.

The Dominican Republic would now be a part of the U.S. if President Grant could have had his way. Dominicans were embroiled in riots and trouble and their government asked the U.S. for protection. Grant petitioned Congress to annex the Republic, but Congress rejected the proposal.

Though Grant's administration was filled with corruption, no one ever imputed personal dishonesty to him. His fault lay only in trusting those who were unworthy of trust.

In the closing years of his life he was bankrupt and suffered from cancer of the throat. When he spoke it was agony, yet he finished dictating his memoirs only four days before he died.

REMEMBER THE ALAMO

Two years before the 100th anniversary of the independence of Texas, in 1936, the Texas Centennial Commission received authorization to sell Texas commemorative half dollars to get advance funds. Only 61,350 of them were sold by the commission in 1934 for a dollar each for \$30,000 profit.

These coins were minted through 1938. Congress had authorized 1½ million, but Texans bought only 149,558. The mints had coined 304,193, so the unsold or unwanted Texas halves were melted to be used for other coins.

And this is the reason Texas commemoratives are selling for a nice price in uncirculated condition, depending on the date. The 1938 date is most valuable, since less than 12,000 were put into circulation, the commission was unable to sell 3,000

of them and they were put in the melting pot.

This shows there were not many coin collectors 26 years ago. Today the whole 1½ million authorized by Congress would be gobbled up by speculators (not coin collectors) the same day offered for sale.

The Texas commemorative is beautiful, with a design combining historical and allegorical themes. On the obverse is a "Lone Star" upon which is super-imposed the American eagle. The reverse includes a winged victory holding an olive branch in her right hand denoting justice and a miniature of the Alamo in her left hand. Beneath the Alamo are the dates 1836-1936. Above the wings of victory are flags representing Texas under six flags - Spain, France, Mexico, Republic of Texas, United States and Confederate States.

The word "liberty" appears on a scroll in front of the flags. At the left side of the coin is a portrait of Gen. Sam Houston, at the right one of Stephen F. Austin, with their names below. On the rim appears the inscription, "The Texas Independence Centennial - Remember the Alamo."

The designer, Pompeo Coppini, was a New York artist who moved to Texas. To be continued . . .

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Greek Inscriptions

Herod the Great was the first Roman ruler of Palestine to use only Greek inscriptions on Jewish coinage although he refrained from using human portraits or figures.

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Shunned Marriage

Numismatists were mostly bachelors in 17th century England. Few could abide by the marriage ceremony custom of splitting a gold or silver coin in half.

NEWS ROUNDUP — A.N.A.

The Greater Houston Coin Club is pleased to have Bellaire Coin Club and the World Coin Society of Houston join as co-sponsors for the 1965 convention of the American Numismatic Association to be held at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel in Houston August 25-28.

Perhaps you would like to know the key chairmen. We hesitate to name them when we can't include each willing assistant, but here they are and you will read about the others in the Official Program:

A.N.A. Advisors: Don Sherer, George M. Todd and Herbert M. Bergen

General Chairman: A. I. Martin

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Exhibits: R. A. Remberg, James Sartor and Gerald Kendall

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Service Desk: Chris Johns

Souvenir Program: Wm. A. Logan, III and Dick Johnson

Educational Forum: Charles Hoskins

Official Medal: Diane Holmes and Doris Martin

Registration: Tommie and Blondean Walter, and John F. Crosbie

The bourse applicants have been elected by the A.N.A. committee and you may be sure that every type of numismatic material will be available.

Arnold reports the exhibit applications are coming in rapidly. If you want to enter your exhibit write to

him without delay — R. A. Remberg, 6636 Belmont, Houston, Texas 77005.

Ladies, be sure to come to this convention. Virginia and her ladies have the most intriguing plans beginning with the Wednesday afternoon Kaffe Klatch and Movie Magic.

Have your reservation yet? Better write to the hotel — and do it now!

Doris Martin,

Publicity Chairman

L.N.A. SHOW PLANS IN FULL SWING

Plans for the 1965 convention of the Louisiana Numismatic Association are well underway, according to J. L. Anders of the Monroe Area Coin Club, host for the event which will be held at the Virginia Hotel in Monroe, La., on May 1 and 2.

Since displays of rare and unusual coins stimulate interest among novice and experienced collectors alike, outstanding exhibits will be an important part of the convention. Mrs. Roslyn Gorski, Noel, Mo., will display her collection of mint errors. There will be seven competitive display categories with trophies or plaques to the three top collections in each group. Exhibit chairman is Marvin Phillips and can be reached at 1905 S. Grand St., Monroe, La.

Arrangements have been made to accommodate 36 bourse tables. Everyone is invited.

Used In Philippines

Spanish and Mexican silver pesos were used almost exclusively in the Philippines before the Spanish American War in 1898.

THE NUMISMATIC CIRCLE

The C & R Coin Supply in Corpus Christi is being plagued with robberies, another being staged in January. But Jeanne and Walter Clark, owners, say they were lucky this time - coins were found in a Valley Motel room . . . Jack Setzer of Center, Tex. and Shreveport, La. had a frightening experience in Midland at a motel when armed bandits relieved him of his cash and coins . . .

Clarence Davis of Corpus Christi off to a convention in Indianapolis . . . Melba and Clark Coursey of Brownwood visiting in New Mexico then attending a meeting at A. & M. College at College Station . . . three-year-old Natalie, daughter of Billie and Harvey Bruns, Mission, a walking doll in the costume parade of the annual Citrus Fiesta . . .

Doris Martin, Houston, has been doing what she enjoys most - sharing her coins of the Bible with church

groups. Keying her talks to given Biblical books, and using an opaque projector to show the coins as they are discussed has proven to be of interest to all . . . Edna Eubank, Brownsville, still confined to the hospital. Has been on the sick list since last Fall . . . and doctor not permitting Virginia Beasley to leave Cleburne to attend the T.N.A. convention. Virginia has been confined to her home and the hospital since last August . . . Mother of Norma Mather of Corpus Christi improved following a serious illness . . .

Don Seibert busy cataloging his auction material for the Convention of International Numismatics to be held in Los Angeles in June. Subscribers to World Coins and those on Don's mailing list will receive the catalogue. Others desiring a catalog write Don at Box 11221, Houston, Tex. 77016.



Texas Coin Collectors Meet In Germany

Three Texans in Frankfurt/Main, Germany constituted a quorum recently, sufficient to discuss coins and collectors and Texas. Bob Gaskill of the Alamo Coin Club in San Antonio met fellow club member, Courtney Coffing, and son, Larry, at the January meeting of the Frankfurt German-American Coin Club.

Bob and his wife are visiting their daughter in Amberg, Germany, while Courtney is employed by the Dept. of the Army in Giessen, Germany. Larry, a junior T.N.A. member, is attending the Giessen American school, learning German, and travels many times with his dad on coin-scrouring missions over Eur-

ope.

The Frankfurt club meets every second and fourth Monday of the month at the Plattenstrasse Community Center. Some forty persons were in attendance at the second meeting in January, including many juniors and quite a few Germans. An auction was held - most items were American coins - and the usual trading session gave those present a chance to build up their collections.

Bob was contemplating trips to Ireland and Denmark. Courtney and Larry visited the Utrecht mint in The Netherlands before Christmas. They are also hoping to visit Luxembourg this spring, the all-day coin show in connection with the Hannover fair on May 1, and a week at Berchtesgaden in the middle of May.

PIECES OF 8 – Part Ten

By Crawford Wyman as told to Harold L. Van Doren
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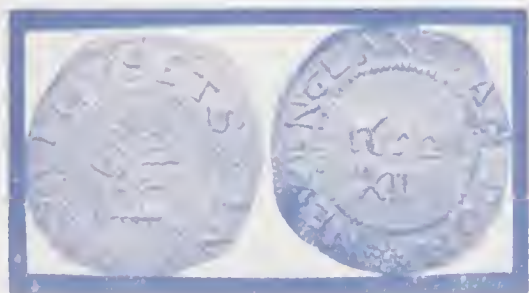
Pre Revolutionary coins in America are crude samples of die-cutting at best, but their historical value places them high in the collector's estimation. Deservedly the best known Colonial piece is the Pine Tree shilling, so called because the first examples bore on one side a rough approximation of a pine tree, with the words, in quaint spelling: **OF MASATHUSETS**. Issues made in later years, but all bearing the date 1652, had an oak or willow instead of a pine tree, but most of the pictorial attempts are quite unrecognizable as to genus. It's a tree; that is all.

One of the most interesting things about many specimens of this coin is their irregular shape. At first glance one would suppose that they had been minted that way, but good specimens prove that they were approximately round. The irregular edges were due to the ancient game of clipping the coins and saving the fragments to be melted up and sold as silver in bulk. Our Puritan fathers seem not to have been above this

mild form of dishonesty. The difficulty was later obviated in part by incorporating a circle in the design. If the coin was filed or clipped beyond the circle it was worthless.

In his "Grandfather's Chair," Nathaniel Hawthorne spins an interesting yarn about the Pine Tree shilling. It seems that John Hull, master of the Massachusetts mint, had a daughter of marriageable age, and when a suitor finally courted and won her, he staged this finely dramatic scene: he placed the girl on one tray of a large balance scale and had his servants pour newly minted Pine Tree shillings into the other until the balance arm was level. Then the honest mint master addressed his future son-in-law: "Take these shillings for my daughter's portion, and thank heaven for her. It is not every wife that is worth her weight in silver." We do not know how heavily Hawthorne was leaning on his imagination for this pretty story, but the records do tell us that the girl's dowry amounted to \$2500. This sum would have made 10,000 Pine Tree shillings, and that number would weight 125 pounds. A trim lass, if the tale be true.

Another Colonial series of great interest is the Higley copper, minted between 1737 and 1739. John Higley was a blacksmith near Gandy, Connecticut, who owned a small copper mine. The British Colonial government forbade the smelting of copper by colonists and of course allowed no coins to be minted ex-



Pine Tree Shillings -
All Dated 1652 . . .

cept under its authority. Therefore Higley's boldness in making coins is doubly remarkable. He struck only copper pieces of the value of three-pence, but produced several varieties, the rarest having as its chief device a wheel with the legend, **THE WHEEL GOES ROUND**. Whether this indicated his defiance of the law, or simply referred to the wheelwright side of his blacksmith business, would be hard to tell.

The supposed cupidity of dealers, even the most reputable ones, is frequently a sore point with amateurs and collectors. But it is my personal belief that there are no regular dealers who demand extortionate prices or willingly deceive a customer. To be sure, some may not be as scientifically accurate in their knowledge of certain issues as they might be, but the subject is too big for one man to become an authority in all its ramifications. As far as prices go, it must be remembered that coins are at best a slow-moving commodity. Considering the dealer's overhead and the fact that a coin may stay in his trays for years before just the collector who wants that particular piece turns up, he has a right to demand a good margin over the purchase price.

Dealers have more to contend with than is usually supposed. There is always some dogged person who brings in a coin of a certain date which he has heard is of great value. Usually his informant has neglected to say, if, indeed, he knew himself, that only one particular die variety or mint issue of that date is valuable. Then the dealer must patiently put up with much noisy abuse because he will not offer a high price for a coin of practically no value at all.

Dates are misleading to the uninitiated in many ways. A recent issue of a prominent New York newspaper

contained a small advertisement which read as follows:

Coin dated 1335. More than 550 years old.
Best offer takes it.

The merest beginner in numismatics would know at once that this was impossible, because the first coin ever dated in our numerals was issued in 1424. The coin advertised was simply a modern Mohammedan piece of North Africa or Asia dated in the 1335th year of the Mohammedan Era, which began in 622 A.D., the date of the Hegira. Therefore the 1335th year of the Mohammedan Era, allowing for the difference between our solar year and the Mohammedan lunar year, would be 1917 in the Christian Era. The advertiser thought in all good faith that an ancient coin had miraculously come into his hands, whereas it was barely ten years old. To be continued . . .

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Lea County Club To Host Annual Show

The third annual coin show to be sponsored by the Lea County Coin Club will be held in Hobbs, New Mexico on May 15-16 at the newly completed hotel convention center "The Inn." General chairman is Douglas W. Weaver, Drawer 1, Jal, New Mex.

Bourse chairman is Perry L. Williams and information can be secured by writing him at Box 55, Lovington, New Mex. The auction will be conducted by Coll Rare Coin Co., 5111 W. 34th St., Lubbock, Texas and copies of the auction catalog can be obtained by writing to the Coll Coin Co., or to Weaver, general chairman. Bertha Goodwin, club secretary, will be in charge of registration.

EVENTS CALENDAR

MARCH 12-14

SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB annual coin show, Holiday Inn Parkway, Lubbock, Tex. Jon F. Coll, 5111 34th St., Lubbock; George Privett, bourse, Box 106, Lubbock.



MARCH 20-21

MISSISSIPPI NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION, 4th annual convention, Heidelberg Hotel, Jackson, Miss. Byron W. Cook, gen. chrm., Box 181, Jackson, Miss.



MARCH 26-28

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. 7th convention, Robert Driscoll Hotel, Corpus Christi, Tex., Joe B. Davis, gen. chrm., 638 DeForrest, Corpus Christi, Tex.



APRIL 9-11

AMARILLO COIN CLUB show, Holiday Inn West, Amarillo. Bob Snyder, bourse chrm., 4235 W. 13th, Amarillo.



APRIL 10

EXHIBIT FORUM, "History of Mexican Coinage", World Coin Society, Houston, Tex. Port of Houston, World Trade Center, 1520 Texas Ave., Houston. Fred Franks, exhibit chrm., Box 6736, Houston, 77005.



APRIL 24-25

PARIS COIN CLUB, 1st annual North Star Coin Show, Boys Club, Paris, Texas. Write Joe B. Bills, 245 1st SW St., Paris, Texas.

MAY 1-2

LOUISIANA NUMISMATIC ASSN. convention hosted by Monroe Area Coin Club, Virginia Hotel, Monroe, La. Marvin Phillips, exhibit chrm., 1905 S. Grand St., Monroe, La.



MAY 8-9

VICTORIA COIN CLUB 4th annual coin show, Continental Inn, Victoria, Texas. Contact Graves L. Rouse, Pres., Box 1183, Victoria, Tex.



MAY 15-16

CLEBURNE COIN CLUB annual coin show. Contact Virginia Beasley, sec., Rt. 4, Cleburne, Tex.



MAY 15-16

HIDALGO COIN CLUB 2nd annual coin show, Echo Motor Hotel, Edinburg, Tex. Milton Shrank, gen. chrm., 1120 N. 15th, McAllen, Tex. Bourse chrm. Wally Gilmore, Box 74, Weslaco, Tex., 78596.



MAY 15-16

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB show. Write Mrs. Barbara Ellis, club sec., 2016 Buffalo Terrace, Houston, Tex. 77019.



MAY 15-16

LEA COUNTY COIN CLUB, 3rd annual coin show, The Inn Motel, Hobbs, New Mex. Write Douglas W. Weaver, Drawer 1, Jal, New Mex.



MAY 15-16

Seventh **EAST TEXAS NUMISMATIC COIN SHOW & CONVENTION**, Downtowner Motor Inn, Longview, Texas. Contact Longview Texas Coin Club, Mrs. Weldon Gumsley, Sec.



MAY 22-23

GRAND PRAIRIE COIN CLUB 4th annual coin show, City Recrea-

tion Bldg. 601 Grand Prairie Rd. D.
B. Nichols bourse chrm., Box 504
Grand Prairie, Tex.



JUNE 5-6

GREATER ORANGE COIN SHOW, 3rd annual event, Jack Tar Orange House ballroom, E. F. White, chrm., 434 Wikes, Cts., Orange, Texas.



JUNE 4-6

COINARAMA, hosted by San Diego County Inter-Club Numismatic Council, El Cortez Hotel Convention Center, San Diego, Calif. Contact R. E. Martin, 1141 6th Ave., San Diego, Calif. 92101.



JUNE 12-13

NORTH TEXAS & SOUTHERN OKLAHOMA coin show, Wichita Falls, Maskat Shrine Temple. Contact T. L. O'Steen, sec. 1718 Marshall, Vernon, Texas 76384.



JUNE 18-20

CONVENTION OF INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS, 2nd annual show, Ambassador Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif. Harvey L. Rose, gen. chrm.



JUNE 24-27

RETAIL COIN DEALERS ASSN. 2nd annual convention, Onondaga War Memorial Bldg., Syracuse, N.Y.



JUNE 26-27

TREASURE ISLAND COIN CLUB'S third annual coin show, Galveston, Tex. E. E. White, gen. chrm.



JULY 10-11

KEY CITY COIN CLUB, 5th annual show, Sands Motor Hotel, Abilene. D. R. Pratt, gen. chrm., 209 N. Mockingbird, Abilene, Tex.

AUGUST 25-28

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSN. 74th annual convention, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas. A. I. Martin, gen chrm., 6207 Chevy Chase, Houston, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 4-5

CENTRAL TEXAS COIN CLUB annual coin show. Cow House Hotel, Killeen, Tex. Contact J. C. Moore, 112 E. Avenue D, Killeen, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 11-12

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB 5th annual coin show. Address club at Box 87, San Angelo, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 18-19

BEAUMONT COIN CLUB, 5th annual coin show, Ridgewood Motel, Beaumont. Write T. G. Brown, bourse chrm., 3555 Sleepy Lane or F. J. McMillan, gen. chrm., 1879 Roberts Ave., Beaumont, Tex.



SEPTEMBER 18-19

AUSTIN TEXAS COIN CLUB annual coin show, Villa Carpi. Send inquiries to club at Box 139, Austin, Texas.



SEPTEMBER 24-25

FORT WORTH COIN CLUB 4th annual coin show, Crystal Ballroom, Hotel Texas. Contact Jack Hendrix, bourse chrm., 510 Conner Ave., Ft. Worth, Texas.



OCTOBER 16-17

Fall coin show & convention, **GREATER SAN ANTONIO, ALAMO & GATEWAY COIN CLUBS**, San Antonio, Texas. Details later.



OCTOBER 23-24

BIG SPRING COIN CLUB show, Big Spring, Tex. Details later.

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

in the

TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

I herewith apply for membership in the Texas Numismatic Association, subject to the association's Constitution and By-Laws, and tender \$ _____ for dues.

Mr. _____ Date _____
Mrs. _____
Miss _____

Type or Print Name as you want it on Roster

Street or P. O. Box _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

14 to 18 yrs. of age _____ 18 or over _____ ANA # _____

Applying for:

Regular _____ Associate _____ Junior _____ Chapter _____

Occupation _____ and _____ Collecting Interest _____

Signature of Applicant for Individual Membership

Signature of Proposer TNA # _____

Regular Applicant: Signature of Voucher

Associate Applicant: Signature of Family Member TNA # _____

Junior Applicant: Signature of Parent or Guardian

Chapter Applicant: Signature of President

Chapter applicant should append additional information as requested on the back of this membership form.

For use by TNA Secretary:

TNA Action _____ TNA # _____

Dues received \$ _____ Date _____

APPLICATION — Applicants for membership must be proposed for membership by a TNA member who signs the application form together with an additional person known as a Voucher. A Voucher for an applicant for Regular membership should be an adult of reputable character who knows the applicant. A Voucher for an applicant for Associate Membership must be an adult member of the immediate family who is a Regular member. A Voucher for an applicant for Junior membership must be a parent or guardian of the applicant. Applications for Chapter Membership should be signed by the president. Such other information as required on the application form should be given.

Chapter membership applicant should furnish this additional information:

1. Names and addresses of officers
2. Name and address of TNA Representative
3. Mailing address
4. Meeting date, time and place
5. Month of officer election

APPLICANTS — Names of applicants are published in the TNA News. If no objections are received within 20 days after date of publication, applicant is admitted to membership. Membership card, roster for the current year and a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws are sent with notification of admission. The official publication will be mailed to eligible applicants.

DUES —

Regular and Chapter Members:

Annual dues \$3.00.

Admission fee \$2.00.

Junior Members:

Annual dues \$1.00.

Admission fee \$2.00.

Associate Members:

Annual dues \$1.00.

No admission fee.

MAILING ADDRESS — Detach this application form and mail with the required dues to:

Mrs. Homer B. Casey — Secretary
112 North Van Buren
San Angelo, Texas

T.N.A. Convention Program

Registration — Daily	10:00 A.M. to 10:00 P.M.
Sunday	10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.
Thursday — March 25	
Get Acquainted Party — Dealers and Wives	
Rincon Room	7:00 to 8:00 P.M.
Friday — March 26	
Bourse Open — Grand Ballroom (Dealers)	9:00 A.M.
Bourse Open — Grand Ballroom (Public)	10:00 A.M.
Exhibits Open — West Ballroom	10:00 A.M.
Ladies Brunch — Rincon Room	11:00 A.M.
International Organization of Wooden Money Collectors —	
Meeting — Room 922	1:00 P.M.
South Texas Associated Coin Clubs — Meeting — Rm. 922	5:00 P.M.
Saturday — March 27	
Governors & Representatives Breakfast	8:00 A.M.
Flamenco Room, Floyd E. Covill, Toastmaster	
Ladies Luncheon — Flamenco Room	12:00 Noon
Frank O'Sullivan, San Antonio, Speaker	
Auction — Hemisphere Room	1:30 P.M.
T.N.A. Board Meeting, Room 922	1:30 P.M.
Educational Forum — Hemisphere Room	7:30 P.M.
Speakers — Mr. Clyde Hubbard, Mexico City	
Mrs. Margo Russell, Sidney, Ohio	
E. H. Brooks, T.N.A. President, Moderator	
Sunday — March 28	
Awards' Breakfast — Flamenco Room	8:00 A.M.
Introductions — Joe B. Davis, General Chairman	
Speaker — Charles "Cab" Atkins, Centralia, Mo.	
Presentation of Awards — Lee Behannon, Exhibit Chairman	
Installation of New T.N.A. Officers	
Open T.N.A. Member Meeting	10:00 A.M.
Board Meeting — New Officers	
Ladies Hospitality — Room 301 — Open Daily	
Security — Room 310 — 12:00 Noon Thursday to 12:00 Noon Monday	
Tours —	
Mexico City — Monday 7:00 A.M. to Thursday 5:00 P.M.	
Padre Island Tour — Friday 1:00 to 5:00 P.M.	
U.S. Naval Air Station — Saturday 1:00 to 5:00 P.M.	
King Ranch — Sunday 1:00 to 4:00 P.M.	
Moonlight Boat Rides on the Beautiful Bay Available	
Each Night — Two Hour Ride 8:00 to 10:00 P.M.	



Joe B. Davis
Convention Chairman

Welcome To Corpus Christi

Bienvenidos! We are happy to welcome you to the "Sparkling City by the Sea" — Corpus Christi. Our earnest desire is that you will help us make this seventh Texas Numismatic Association convention the most remembered one in T.N.A. history.

No effort has been spared by your convention committees with the help of the local clubs and the other district eight member clubs to make your stay enjoyable.

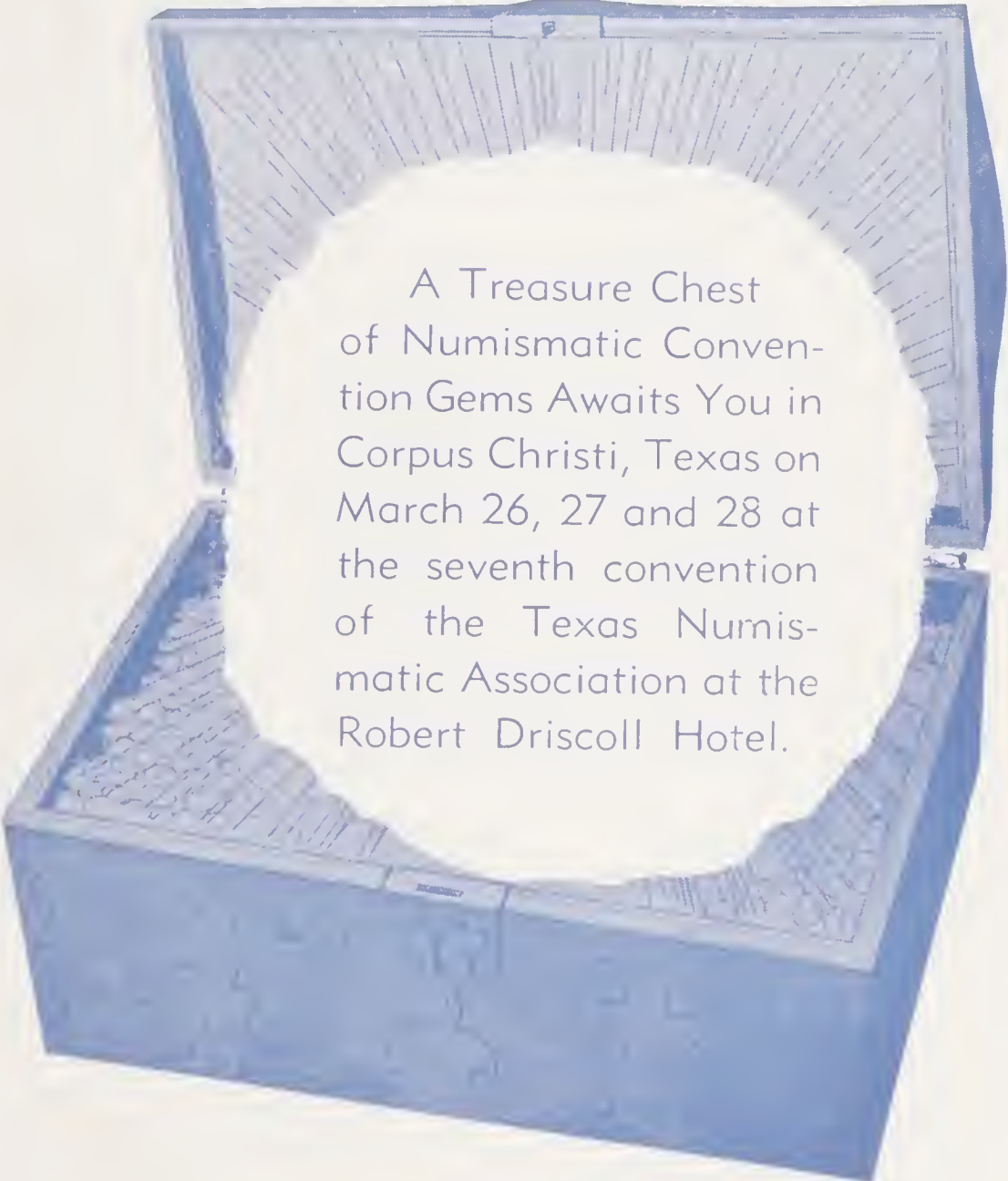
Careful plans have been made to accommodate a maximum number of dealers at bourse tables and exhibitors in the exhibit area. The Driscoll Hotel has promised full cooperation in every phase of the convention.

Now again, we say "Bienvenidos!" and when you have "lived it up" in our beautiful city, we will say,

"Vaya Con Dios,"

Joe B. Davis,

General Chairman

An illustration of an open blue treasure chest. The chest is open, revealing a large white circular area in the center. The interior of the chest is lined with a pattern of diagonal lines. The text is centered within the white circle.

A Treasure Chest
of Numismatic Conven-
tion Gems Awaits You in
Corpus Christi, Texas on
March 26, 27 and 28 at
the seventh convention
of the Texas Numis-
matic Association at the
Robert Driscoll Hotel.

EDUCATIONAL FEATURES

1965 T.N.A. CONVENTION



Mrs. Margo Russell
Sidney, Ohio



Clyde Hubbard
Mexico City

Speakers — Educational Forum



Charles "Cab" Atkins
Centralia, Mo.



Frank O'Sullivan
San Antonio, Texas

Speaker - Awards' Breakfast

Speaker - Ladies Luncheon

from the treasurer

by **Freeman L. Craig, Treasurer**

Texas Numismatic Association
Box 552 Randolph Air Force Base, Texas

Balance on hand as of
1/15/65 \$2,917.02

Receipts:

TNA dues	\$921.00	
TNA News ads	100.50	
Sales of TNA News	1.00	
Donations to TNA		
Memorial Library	50.00	
Donations to ANA		
Building Fund	120.00	1,195.50
		\$4,142.52

Disbursements:

Print & mail TNA

News for Jan. 65 \$308.19

TNA News editor
travel allowance &

petty cash 67.38

TNA Secretary

petty cash 50.00

Bal. due on
medals 4.34

Misc. printing 57.95 487.86

Balance on hand as
of 2/15/65 \$3,654.66

NOTE: The above balance includes
the following special accounts:

TNA Memorial Library	
fund, previous balance	\$183.13
Plus donations this month	50.00
Present balance	\$233.13
ANA Building fund,	
previous balance	\$ 75.00
Plus donations this month	120.00
Present balance	\$195.00



Wendell Morningstar, Radnor, Ohio - special attraction in exhibit room with a display of wooden money.

TEXAS DISTRICT MEETINGS

DISTRICT ONE:

The North Texas & Southern Oklahoma Coin Association held their annual meeting recently in Wichita Falls and elected a new slate of officers. Twenty-three officers and directors attended.

J. H. McChung, Lawton, Okla., will serve as president; Marvin Dabbs, Childress, first vice-president; Claude Wallace, Nocona, second vice-president; and T. L. O'Steen, Vernon, secretary-treasurer.

During the business session, the association selected Saturday and Sunday, June 12-13, for the 1965 annual show to be held in Wichita Falls in the Maskat Shrine Temple. It was also voted to donate \$50 to the Headquarters Building Fund of the American Numismatic Association.

Member clubs making up the association include Graham Coin & Stamp Club, Wichita County Coin Club and Wichita Coin & Stamp Club both of Wichita Falls, Electra Coin Club, Greenbelt Coin Club (Vernon), Quanah Coin Club, Childress Coin Club, Montague County Coin Club (Bowie), and Lawton & Fort Sill Coin Club, Lawton, Okla.



DISTRICT THREE:

Victor Barlow was named chairman for club activities during Nation Coin Week, April 18-24; and show dates of October 23-24 were set by the Big Spring Coin Club at the February meeting held at the Settle Hotel. E. H. Brooks, T.N.A. president, was a special guest and gave highlights of the convention to be held in March in Corpus Christi. Dois McKee is club president.

A swap session concluded the program.

The Mitchell County Coin Club, Colorado City, met February 1 at the Villa Inn when W. E. Wozen-craft, T.N.A. governor, district three, was a special guest and spoke on T.N.A. convention plans for the state meet in Corpus Christi March 26-28. Dois McKee, president of the Big Spring Coin Club, was also a guest.

Attendance prizes were awarded to Mrs. Callie Joe Curry, Mrs. Ralph Lee and Kay Dunn. Twenty-one members were present.



The San Angelo Coin Club members voted to apply for Life Membership in T.N.A. when 67 members and four visitors attended the monthly meeting at the Town House Motor Hotel. New club members are Sidney Underwood, Mrs. Roy Walker, Jr., B. A. Jordan and Sidney Mallard.

E. H. Brooks had charge of the program and chose as his topic "Fractional Currency" illustrating his talk with a display of fractional currency types.

Other exhibits for the evening included First Republic currency of France by Sgt. Bob Bailey; and the J. Gilley Pfluger display of U.S. type coins.



Mrs. Homer B. Casey of San Angelo, spoke to members of the Coleman Coin & Stamp Club on the Headquarters Building Fund for A. N.A. and gave interesting highlights of plans for the T.N.A. convention to be held in Corpus Christi. Twenty-three members met at the R.E.A. Club Room on February and Martha Willis was given the attendance prize.

The evening's program was presented by Dalton Davis and subject for discussion was the coins of Mex-

ico. Joe Burrage will present the program on gold coinage at the next meeting.



Brady's Heart of Texas Coin Club met recently at the R.E.A. building, with 15 members in attendance. The club meets the fourth Tuesday.

An auction and trading session was enjoyed by members and \$7.00 was realized in a special auction for the A.N.A. Building Fund. The auction material was donated to the club.



DISTRICT FOUR:

Members of the Key City Coin Club held its first meeting of the new year on January 7 in the Paradise Room of the Sands Motel and plans were made for the Fifth Annual Coin Show scheduled for July 10-11. One hundred and ten members and guests were present.

Visitors are always welcome at the monthly meetings which are held on the first Thursday.



Plans for the 1965 Coin-vention sponsored by the Cleburne Coin Club are well under way and promises to be a big event on May 15-16 at the National Guard Armory. The club meets at the First National Bank on the first Tuesday.

An appreciation gift was presented to Win. S. Brown, retiring club president, for the fine job done as the 1964 president. J. B. Riney, Ponder, was a guest of the club.



The Grand Prairie Coin Club is deep in plans for the fourth annual coin show to be held May 22-23 at the City Recreation Building, 801 Grand Prairie Road.

Security will begin Friday May 21 at 7 p.m. and will continue until Sunday May 23 at 7 p.m. Bourse hours are scheduled for Saturday,

9 to 9, and Sunday, 9 to 6.

Show plans include some of the finest exhibits ever shown in the area with trophies to be awarded to the best.

Grand Prairie is located halfway between Ft. Worth and Dallas and is the gateway to "Six Flags Over Texas" - the big amusement park - which will be open during show time.

For further information, contact D. B. Nichols, bourse chairman, Box 504, Grand Prairie, Texas 75051.



The Board of Directors of the East Texas Numismatic Association held their quarterly business meeting in January at the Downtowner Motor Inn in Longview. Area clubs admitted to membership were Jasper Coin Club and Henderson Coin Club.

Important plans were discussed for the seventh East Texas Numismatic coin show and convention which will be held in the Tropical and Cherokee Rooms of the Downtowner in Longview. Mrs. Weldon Grimsley and F. L. Bush were appointed as publicity co-chairmen.

An auction is scheduled for the first afternoon of the show; and coin appraisers and experts will be on hand to appraise and evaluate, free of charge, coins for the public. In the exhibit room, coins of many different countries of the world as well as those of the United States will be on display for public viewing. Admission will be free.



A change of meeting place is being announced for the Paris Coin Club due to membership increase calling for larger space. The club is now meeting at the Lamar County Court House, Main and Price Streets in Paris on the second and fourth Monday nights.

Plans are continuing for the first annual coin show to be held April

24-25 at the Boys Club. For further information write to Joe B. Bills, 248 First St., S.W., Paris, Texas.



Members and guests of the **Texomaland Coin Club** were treated to a display of Confederate States currency at its meeting in February at the Denison Chamber of Commerce. Dr. W. D. Blassingame exhibited part of his collection and said that it was significant that President Lincoln had prevented him from showing more by having a birthday on that date, so that he was unable to get additional items from the bank.

Dr. Blassingame stated that the South had no suitable facilities for printing money at the beginning of the Civil War and that the first currency for the Confederate States was printed in New York City and smuggled to Richmond. The first Confederate States bonds were also printed in New York but they were discovered by U. S. authorities and destroyed.

The first currency printed in the Confederate States was produced in Montgomery, Alabama from plates engraved in New York and smuggled to the South. Paper was also smuggled from New York. This money was crudely printed with old presses on poor quality paper which invited counterfeiting. As more money was produced with less substantial backing inflation increased rapidly. Some of the prices recorded for that period were: \$200 for a yard of flannel, \$300 for a pound of coffee, \$1000 for a pair of boots and \$10,000 for a horse.

The currency displayed contained Confederate States notes and Southern State bank notes. Genuine and counterfeit notes were included for comparison.

Dr. Blassingame, a member of the club, was introduced by Henry

Ditto, program chairman. The attendance award, 1961 proof set, was presented to the club president, Col. Chas. A. Wingo.



Mrs. Margo Russell, Sidney, Ohio, executive editor of *Coin World*, will be the guest speaker at the March 24 meeting of the **Big D Coiners Club** of Dallas. Meetings are held at the Dallas Federal Savings & Loan Building, Preston Center, Dallas.

Everyone is invited to attend.



DISTRICT SIX:

The **Beaumont Coin Club** has selected September 18-19 as the dates for the fifth annual coin show which will be held in the Ridgewood Hotel. For further details write T. G. Brown, bourse chairman, 3555 Sleepy Lane or F. J. McMillan, general chairman, 1879 Roberts Ave., Beaumont, Texas.

Members voted at the recent meeting to donate \$50 to the A.N.A. building fund. A group of 42 enjoyed "The Investuent Phase of Numismatics" given by Mr. Brown; and "Predictions for 1965" was discussed by Brown, McMillan and John T. Hill.



The **Bellaire Coin Club** is sending out some very unusual and informative club letters to members keeping everyone up-to-date on club activities with a dash of numismatic study. The February bulletins included information on Abraham Lincoln and George Washington - the men and the coins.

New officers were installed at the club banquet held at Foote's Cafeteria and plans were announced for the annual coin show on May 15-16. Serving as president is Joe Johnson; Chet Falkenhainer, vice-president; A. J. Lanier, treasurer; Barbara Ellis,

secretary and John Crosbie, sergeant-at-arms. Sy Grossman was appointed publicity chairman for the coin show and Mrs. Ellis as exhibit chairman. Any information pertaining to the show should be addressed to Mrs. Ellis, secretary, 2016 Buffalo Terrace, Houston, 77019.

At the February 9 meeting special guests were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Martin of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. Schatz of Owatonna, Minn. Mr. Martin is general chairman for the A.N.A. convention to be held in Houston August 25-28.



An interesting numismatic quiz conducted by Chris Johns was enjoyed by members of the **Greater Houston Coin Club** recently. Shiny dimes were used as rewards for knowledgeable answers.

Regular club meetings have been taken up with convention planning for the big event in August - the American Numismatic Association's 74th meeting, at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel.



DISTRICT SEVEN;

Election of officers took place at the recent meeting of the **Victoria Coin Club** and Graves L. Rouse will serve as president. Others elected are Henry Puckett, vice-president; Frank Barnett, treasurer; and Aliee V. Titus, secretary. Board of Directors include Joe Springs, Jim Poole and Everett Gamutt.

Plans are being completed for the fourth annual coin show to be held at the Continental Inn Motel on May 8-9. Mr. Rouse may be contacted at Box 1183, Victoria, for further show information.

Club meetings are held on the first and third Thursdays at Town Hall in the Victoria National Bank and include an auction and program following the business session. Thirty

two members and guests attended the last meeting.



The steering committee for the annual coin convention hosted by **Greater San Antonio, Alamo and Gateway Coin Clubs** of San Antonio have announced the dates of October 16-17 for the event.

Further details will be released in the near future.



A new club has been organized at Pleasanton and will be known as **Atascosa Coin Club** with meetings scheduled for the first Sunday of each month, 2:00 P.M. at Mac's Restaurant. Mailing address for the club is Box 70, Pleasanton.

Officers elected were Frank Repka, president; John D. Austin, M. D., first vice-president; Jesse Oliphant, second vice-president; and Mrs. Lorene Hurley, secretary-treasurer.



Charles McCullem was elected as president of the newly organized club, **New Braunfels Coin Club**, which will meet on the first Tuesday and third Wednesday at Eden Home for Aged. Twenty-six members are presently on the charter list.

Assisting McCullem with club duties will be Robert Cross, vice-president; Stanley Wenzel, secretary; and George Fischer, treasurer.



DISTRICT EIGHT:

New officers for **World Coins Club** of Corpus Christi were elected recently and include F. J. Floyd, president; Billy Cliburn and Carl Reichle, first and second vice-presidents; Tommy Love, treasurer, and Mrs. M. E. Fox, secretary.

Retiring president, L. L. (Marty) Martin, recommended that the club join T.N.A. and it was approved.

The club in a surprise move to the retiring president, voted and extend

ed to him Life Membership #1 in appreciation for his help in founding the club, which now has a membership of 50 members.

Meetings are held the first and third Wednesdays at Parkdale Plaza in the Community Room. Visitors are cordially invited.



Charles Foster will head the **Kingsville Coin Club** for 1965 assisted by Paul Cheeseman, vice-president; and Mrs. Dorothy Depew, secretary-treasurer. Board of governors include Joe Bellamah, chairman; and R. C. Bennett and Harold Samuelson. Mrs. Margaret Turner will serve as publicity chairman.

At a recent meeting, Bob Bridges and Clarence Davis of Corpus Christi, spoke to the group on the T.N.A. convention to be held in Corpus on March 26, 27 and 28. New club members are Frances McCarty, Karl Smith and Hilton Pearson.

Meetings are held at the Kleberg County Court House every other Tuesday night.



The **Hidalgo Coin Club** of McAllen is busy with plans for the second annual "Million Dollar" coin show to take place on May 15-16 at the Echo Motor Hotel in Edinburg. Milton Schrank is general chairman. Wally Gilmore is bourse chairman and John L. Chisum is acting as exhibit chairman.

An awards' breakfast will be held on Sunday morning, May 16, complimenting the dealers and exhibitors. A bid board type auction will run continuously during the two-day show. Benny Nibert is in charge of the auction.

At the February meeting held at the Casa de Palmas Hotel in McAllen, visitors were introduced from Canada, South Dakota and Arkansas.



Miss Oneta Grisham has resigned

as president of the **San Benito Coin Club** due to illness in the family and Don Christiansen, vice-president will fulfill the president's duties until an election of officers can be held.

M. D. Turner presented the program at the recent meeting selecting as his subject for discussion "The Counterfeiting of Coins."



A party is being planned for March 31 at the American Legion Hall for members of the **Harlingen Coin Club** with Hicks Prescott, Mrs. Betty Forrester and Mrs. Margaret Snowden in charge of arrangements.

Guests were present for the February meeting from Montana, Missouri and Canada. The club meets at the Central Power and Light Co. building.

Jim Cawthorne was the speaker for the evening with a talk on the primitive coins of Mexico and describing the barter material and value. Included in the list were cocoa beans, bell money, hoe and soap money, and the gold dust currency of the Aztec Indians.



October 30-31 are the dates set for the annual coin show sponsored by the **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi. The show will be held in the Coliseum.

Complete details will be announced later.



DISTRICT NINE:

The Holiday Inn in Lubbock will be the scene for the annual coin show sponsored by **South Plains Coin Club** of Lubbock. Jon Coll is general chairman and George Privett is in charge of bourse arrangements. For information write the club at Box 106, Lubbock. Show dates are March 12, 13 and 14.

Included in the show plans are buying, selling, trading and apprais-

ing of coins. On display will be coins from Bible times, American colonial and early United States coins and both U.S. and foreign gold. Every one is invited and admission is free.



The Snyder Coin Club met in regular session in the Community Room of the Snyder Savings & Loan Building with Jack Berry, president, presiding. Curtis Grant was elected to serve as secretary to fill the unexpired term of Dixie Bergeron. The club expressed thanks to the Snyder association for the use of the meeting room. C. M. Word gave the treasurer's report of \$39.99 on hand.

Mrs. Schulz donated a 1962 proof set to be auctioned with the money being contributed to the March of Dimes in the name of the club. Otto Parrish was the successful bidder and he, in turn, donated an extra \$1.50 to be added to the contribution. Parrish won the attendance prize.

Mr. Berry advised the club that he would be unable to continue as acting president and action on his resignation was deferred until the next meeting.



A \$100 donation has been made by the Perryton Coin Club to the A.N.A. Building Fund through a special auction held recently.

The club will celebrate its first anniversary during the month of March and now has 70 adult and 15 junior members. Meetings are held the second Tuesday. For further club news write Robert E. Conner, President, 320 S. W. 15th, Perryton, Texas.



Amarillo Coin Club is planning its annual coin show for April 9, 10 and 11 at the Holiday Inn West, Amarillo. Robert E. Snyder is house

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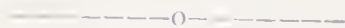
DISTRICT TEN:

On display at the second annual coin show hosted by the International Coin Club at El Paso were miscellaneous foreign coins by Carl Rabe of El Paso; coins of Mexico, Charles DeGroat, El Paso; and fractional currency, R. R. Marchant, Albuquerque, N.M. The show was held January 30 and 31 at the Rodeway Inn with Sam Paonessa as general chairman.

Other committee chairmen were W. L. Barry, bourse; Mr. Timmons, publicity; and Mr. Berger, exhibits. Dealers were present from New Mexico, Colorado, Michigan, Arizona, Louisiana, California, Mexico and all parts of Texas. A gold type set was given away in a special drawing.

E. H. Brooks, T.N.A. president, and Floyd E. Covill, T.N.A. second vice-president, attended the affair in El Paso.

Regular club meetings are held weekly on Thursday night and attendance averages 80 members. The group was recently shown a slide set from A.N.A. on type coins from U. S. quarters to half dollars.



EVENTS CALENDAR —

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OCTOBER 30-31

LIBERTY COIN CLUB annual show, Corpus Christi, Tex. Details later.



NOVEMBER 13-14

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from the secretary

by MRS. HOMER B. CASEY, Secretary
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Applicants #1204 - 1212 as published in the February News have been mailed membership cards, year-books, and other materials.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP

If no objections are filed prior to April 1, the following applicants will become members on that date.

1213 (D-8) Cdr. Lee M. Behannon, Ret., 310 Santa Monica St., Corpus Christi, Tex. Silver and Gold U. S. Coins, Gold of Mexico and England. Joe B. Davis and Lamar Folda.

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1215 (D-8) W. R. "Bob" Robbins, 4213 Warwick St., Corpus Christi, Tex. 78411. American and World Coins. Bob Bridges.

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1217 (D-3) Dan McWhorter, Box 603, Eldorado, Tex. General U. S. E. H. Brooks.

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1219 (D-6) Fred M. Arneson, Box 38, New Waverly, Tex. U. S. General. John S. Syphrett.

A-1220 (D-6) Mrs. Betty Jean Arneson, Box 38, New Waverly, Tex. U. S. General. John S. Syphrett.

1221 (D-8) James J. Meadows, Box 7001, Corpus Christi, Tex. Bob Bridges and Rosendo Barrera.

A-1222 (D-8) Mrs. Martha Park, 613 Carmel Parkway, Corpus Christi, Tex. U. S. Coins. Bob Bridges and William B. Park.

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1224 (D-3) S. W. Wheeler, Box 362 Stanton, Tex. U. S. General. W. E. Wozencraft and Roy F. Bell.

1225 (D-6) Mrs. H. O. Allen, 628 Main St., La Marque, Tex. 77568. U.S. Coins and Medals. Ruby Threlkeld and Hugh Threlkeld.

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1227 Chester F Gifford, Jr., 124 East Main St., Norman, Okla. Coin Dealer. J. H. McClung and Pat Warner.

1228 (D-6) Marvin D. Ashmore, 2309 Second St., Port Neches, Tex. C.S.A. and Obsolete Bank Notes. Dr. John H. Swanson.

1229 (D-8) Charles A. Wooters, 1337 Nolan St., Corpus Christi, Tex. 78412. U.S. Coins and Sets. Bob Bridges and Jig Adams.

1230 Wayne W. Davis, 4207 Steere Dr., Shreveport, La. 71105. U.S. George W. Rodgers and Jack R. Payton.

1231 (D-7) Dr. Melvyn H. Wolk, 4214 Moana Dr., San Antonio, Tex. Foreign Coins. Alcedo F. Almanzar.

1232 (D-8) Sam M. Bomeau, 615 S. Broadway, McAllen, Tex. 78501. U. S. and Foreign. Jim Cawthorn.

1233 (D-7) Archie S. Cantwell, 146 Ashland Dr., San Antonio, Tex. American Coins. Bob Bridges.

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1235 (D-4) Gene Landsey, 3313 Austin Ave., Brownwood, Tex. Coin Dealer, Mrs. Homer B. Casey and Clark Coursey.

1236 (D-2) W. A. Lewis, 1609 N. Texas St., Odessa, Tex. U.S. Coins, L. R. Goodwin and E. M. Travis.

1237 (D-8) C. H. Roberts, 3748 Santa Fe St., Corpus Christi, Tex. 78411. U.S. and Foreign, G. A. Mather, Jr. and Joe B. Davis.

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The annual official meeting of I.O.W.M.C. will be held in Houston at the American Numismatic Assn. convention and will be highlighted by a breakfast at the Shamrock Hilton Hotel on Thursday, August 26. New officers will be elected during the session.

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